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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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*1 Mr. Robert M. Haynie
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Dear Mr. Haynie:

In response to your request for an opinion from this Office as to the legality of a proposed grant of county funds to a local political party to be used to defray the expenses incurred by that party as the result of a recent primary, my opinion is that such an expenditure is unauthorized. For the reasons stated in the copy of the opinion enclosed herewith, such an expenditure would constitute the use of public funds for private benefit and would, therefore, be unconstitutional.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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